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Press Release

Union County Educating Residents of Water Conservation Stages with Vehicle Signage Campaign

MONROE, N.C. (April 30, 2018) – Beginning this week, Union County's cars and trucks will have a new look. Signage will adorn the County's vehicle fleet in an effort to promote awareness of the current Water Conservation Stage and the corresponding number of irrigation days.

"Educating our customers about the need to conserve water and their part in conserving is very important," said Ed Goscicki, Executive Director for Union County Public Works. "It is essential for us to use our resources wisely to ensure that an adequate water supply is available to all of our customers, while we implement solutions to meet the needs of Union County's growing population."

Union County has a Water Use Ordinance that establishes five water shortage stages to respond to varying levels of water supply constraints from drought, water treatment capacity, and emergencies. In Stages 0 and 1, three days per week of irrigation is permitted. During Stage 2 conditions, two days per week are allowed, and only one day per week is permitted while in Stage 3. No outdoor water use of any kind is allowed during Stage 4. The specific days allowed for irrigation are assigned based on a customer's billing cycle.

The Union County vehicle signs are color coded to reflect each Water Conservation Stage and list the maximum number of irrigation days allowed per week for each stage. The magnets will be changed on and off the vehicles to remind customers to conserve water with each stage issued by Union County.

To see more information on Union County's current water shortage stage, including additional restrictions or other water conservation suggestions, please visit UnionConserves.com.

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